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Applicant: Uslenghi, Federico
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Title: INDOOR AIR QUALITY MODULE INCLUDING A
SHIELD TO MINIMIZE THE LEAKAGE OF ULTRAVIOLET
LIGHT

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for the remarks and analysis contained within the Final Office Action dated December 12, 2007. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application.

102 Rejections

Claims 1, 2, 7, 12 and 13 stand finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Suenaga* (Japanese Patent No. JP 2001299881). Claim 1 requires the feature of "a shield positioned on an opposite side of the monolith from the ultraviolet light source." *Suenaga* directly teaches against this feature. Paragraph 6 of *Suenaga* explicitly states that the invention is characterized by installing the light source between the reflecting plate and the deodorization member. Accordingly, claim 1 and all those claims depending therefrom are not anticipated.